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1. Dr. Manoel Isnard de Souza Teixeira was recommended for the position of microbiologist at the University of Sao Paulo through Colonel Bernardino (fnu) of the Serviço Especial de Saude Publica de Rio de Janeiro (Special Public Health Service of Rio de Janeiro--CESP). Because of the recommendation he was hired by Jorge Americano, who was at that time Rector of the University. Dr. Teixeira entered on duty on 29 March 1947 and was dismissed on 30 March 1948 by the present Rector, Dr. Linneu Prestes, in view of the fact that he is a prominent Communist leader in Pernambuco. Dismissal was made under the pretext that Teixeira had not given his name in full on entering the University in accordance with the law, having failed to inscribe the "de Souza" part of his name in University documents.
2. Another Pernambuco Communist leader and scientist who was hired at the same time as Dr. Teixeira, likewise on the recommendation of Col. Bernardino, was Dr. Waldemar Messa. Dr. Messa was dismissed on 25 May 1948 on the grounds that he was a Communist. This dismissal was possible as he had not been hired on a contractual basis.

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